

him in the exercise of his functions, which cannot fail to be disapproved by the Secretary of State; would place that officer of her Catholic Majesty, were it sanctioned, in an unusual situation, and one worse than death.

Mr. Calderon therefore appeals for fresh instructions to the District Attorney, to remove the trammels with which said Consul is embarrassed.

Mr. Calderon is very uneasy at the hostile preparations at New Orleans, for a descent upon Cuba.

DON A. CALDERON DE LA BARCA TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

[TRANSLATION.]

MAY 8, 1850.

The Consul ad interim of Spain, in New Orleans, has informed the undersigned, that for some time past there have been publicly exhibited in that city, and its vicinity, many volunteers who direct their attention to Chagres, and who, for the most part, are members of from 200 to 400 men, the purpose of their organization being, in that part of the Isthmus of Panama—an expedition for invading Cuba under the command of Narciso Lopez.

This leader is assisted in such illegal intrigues and combinations by the Generalissimo in chief, Gen. Francisco J. Alvarado, Jose Sanchez Yanez, and Manuel Macia, that is to say, by the same persons who formed in this capital a revolutionary junta against the island of Cuba, and who, at that time, and Cubanists, and now American citizens, although the persons with whom they receive in the Republic, they are seducing many incisive persons, under false pretenses and fallacious promises; and collecting together people of the worst character to perpetrate misdeeds, and to produce confusion in the publics of Spain. [Cuidadosamente redacta Mr. Clayton de su escrito.]

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The 2d of April two vessels set out for Chagres, without clearing, and carried 300 odd men, having for their destination the port of Chagres, on the river of Teme, and means of war.

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According to the same source, there are, moreover, 500 men, and 2000 horses, and mules, and arms and stores to sail to Chagres, in four vessels, which are preparing for that purpose, and this it is affirmed by the Consul is so notorious, and is executed so entirely without command, and so publicly, that it is known to every one, and consequently, neither the Collector of the Custom house nor the District Attorney can be ignorant of it.

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The SECRETARY OF STATE TO MR. CAMPBELL, CONSUL AT HAVANA.

WASHINGTON, JUNE 1, 1850.

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He expected the Congress of the Union, and the Administration of the island of Cuba, and they are to be considered as subject to the protection of the American prisoners, if they should be required.

**Our Washington Correspondence.**

WASHINGTON, June 3, 1850.

**The Cuba Correspondence—The Prisoners—A Speck of War on the Quilts.**

We transmitted to the *Herald* to-day, some brief outlines of the late Cuba correspondence, down to the 1st instant. From this correspondence it appears that Mr. Calderon de la Barca has constantly kept Mr. Clayton advised of the movements of the invaders. On hearing of the departure of the invading force, he tells Mr. Clayton, and desires the statement to be recorded, that the Captain General of Cuba is prepared to punish the pirates, and that no mercy will be shown to them, under any appeal whatsoever.

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WASHINGTON, May 16, 1850.

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